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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Sir:

The Applicant responds to the Office Action of December 28, 2006, as follows.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

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